

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: YAO-CHING STEPHEN CHEN

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Examiner: Mark Radtke

Title: Efficient XML Schema Validation of XML Fragments Using Annotated Automaton
Encoding

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Commissioner:

In response to the Office Action mailed 11/20/2007, the Applicants submit the following:

Amendments to the **Claims** begin on page 2 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this response.